

State of Maine
Executive Department
FINANCIAL ORDER

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APPROVED

11/20/09 NOV 20 2009

BY GOVERNOR

ORDERED,

That the State Controller is directed to authorize adjustments to the work program for departments and agencies in accordance with the line category breakdown of the attached work program forms for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2010, for which this shall be our sufficient warrant.

Statement of Fact

On November 1, 2009 the Consensus Economic Forecasting Committee updated its forecast, concluding that although the Maine economy is beginning to exhibit signs of recovery, the recessionary period was much more severe than projected, leaving Maine's economy in a very fragile state that will persist throughout the remainder of the current fiscal year. General Fund revenues over the first four months of fiscal year 2009-10 are lagging projections by \$69 million. That lag compounds the losses of more than \$24 million at the close of fiscal year 2008-09, leaving revenues at approximately \$93 million behind budgeted levels, year to date.

The Commissioner of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services officially reported to the Governor on November 20, 2009 that anticipated income and other available funds of the State will not be sufficient to meet expenditures authorized by the Legislature for fiscal year 2009-10. In response to the Commissioner's notice, the Governor issued an Executive Order for the curtailment of General Fund allotments in fiscal year 2009-10 in the amount of \$63,144,713. Pursuant to 5 MRSA §1668 this financial order complements that curtailment.

Signature of Department Head

RYAN LOW, COMMISSIONER

Name and Title

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Signature of State Budget Officer

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